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TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 1 Afterfeast of the Dormition

Martyr Myron the Presbyter of Cyzicus; Ven. Alpius the Iconographer of the Kiev Caves; The Martyrs of Syria: Paul, his sister Juliana and the rest; Martyrs Thyrsus, Leucius and Coronatus with others at Caesarea in Bithynia; Martyr Patroclus of Troyes; Martyrs Straton, Philip, Eutychian and Cyprian of Nicomedia; Blessed Theodoret the Enlightener of the Lapps; Ven. Pimen of Ugreshi; Monk-martyr Macarius of Mount St. Auxentius; Hieromartyr Jeroen the Hieromonk at Noordwijk; St. Elias the Younger of Calabria

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23

◆ The Liturgical/Study Week at a Glance ◆

Tues, Aug 19	10:00 a.m.	Funeral of Mary Malik
Sat, Aug 23	5:00 p.m.	Confessions
	7:00 p.m.	Vespers followed by General Confession
Sun, Aug 24	11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 2	
9:00 a.m.	Hieromartyr Eutychius	
Divine Liturgy	Epistle: 1 Cor 9:2-12	Gospel: Matt 18:23-35



Fr. David is in Atlanta this weekend to help his mother with myriad details and issues following the death of his father last week. He should be returning home on Thursday. For any pastoral emergencies during his absence, get in touch with Starosta (732-462-3388).

◆ In Our Parish ◆

There will be a **Senior R Club Meeting TODAY** at the Deerson home, immediately following Coffee Hour. All members are asked to be present, as many new items will be discussed.

Our newly-formed **Balalaika Orchestra** is quickly developing into a well-skilled ensemble that has revived interest in the technique of playing this beautiful Russian instrument. Our orchestra members are amateurs of all ages, participating entirely because of their love of Slavic folk music and the sheer pleasure they receive from playing together. A rehearsal will be held **TODAY**, from 4 till 6 p.m., in the church hall. Come—everyone is welcome and no audition is required! (**NOTE: Newcomers are asked to arrive around 3:30 p.m.**)

The next meeting of the **Men's Club** is scheduled for **Thursday, August 21**, at 7 p.m., in the hall.

The **2nd Annual Parish Camp Out** will take place on Seven Acres **this Friday-Saturday, August 22-23**. Tent set-up will start at 6 p.m., followed by a campfire at 7 p.m. and a movie shown after dark. There will also be *Smores*, songs and fun for the entire family!

Our **10th Annual School Supply Drive** is coming to an end. As in the past, all donations will benefit elementary school students in South River whose families are struggling to provide the vital supplies required, from notebooks, pencils and paper to backpacks. Contributions of such basic necessities will be accepted through **next Sunday, August 24**. Donations can be dropped off in the church vestibule. Monetary offerings of any amount are also welcome; they can be given directly to our Drive Chairman, **Allison Steffaro**. God bless and thank you in advance for your help and support.

On the last Sunday of the month, Fr. David answers fundamental questions of Orthodox theology at his **Faith Feedback Session** held during Coffee Hour. Do you have something you would like to pose? If so, jot your query down beforehand on a card and drop it in the *Faith Feedback Question Box* located in the church vestibule. Then join him in the parish hall on **Sunday, August 31** and get your answer—this is **your** opportunity to learn!

The **Altar Society** will meet in the church hall on **Monday, September 15**, at 6 p.m.

Parish Council will convene in the hall on **Monday, September 15**, at 7 p.m. If **unable** to attend, please notify Father or Starosta.

The **Altar Society** is sponsoring a **Bus Trip** to the *Resorts Hotel & Casino* in Atlantic City on **Tuesday, September 23**. The cost for this day of shopping, games of chance, food and fun is \$30 per person, with 25 slot dollars in return. The bus will leave from the church parking lot on Whitehead Avenue at 9 a.m. For more information or reservations, call Sonja Harris (732-257-6774) or Dorothy Edwards (732-257-4724).

Our parish will again throw a **Block Party** on **Sunday, September 28**, for ourselves, our friends and our neighbors. The purpose of this event is to bring people of all ages together for a day of fellowship, music, food and entertainment, in support of our mission to be a community with open hearts, open minds and open doors. And the best part...it's all FREE! Stay tuned for additional details.

Our **Annual Fall Festival** is scheduled for **Saturday, October 25**. Legendary food, music, raffles and gift/craft items will all be a part of the opportunity for us to share our beautiful Orthodox faith and our cherished cultural traditions with the surrounding community. Keep an eye out for more information in future bulletins.

◆ Parish Patter ◆

CHURCH ATTENDANCE at Liturgy last Sunday was **122**.

THANKS FOR SERVING OUR COMMUNITY The Epistle will be read next week by **Gregory Chup**. The church will be cleaned by **Team Deerson**.

COFFEE HOUR REQUEST There is a need for volunteers for this ministry this month, **OTHER** than representatives of the **Parish Council**, the **Altar Society**, the **Men's Club**, the **St. Anne's Guild** and the **Senior R Club**. See Gregory Messeka to find out how you can help.

WE WELCOME Fr. **Volodymyr Chaikivskyi** from *St. Spiridon Church* in Perth Amboy and his wife, **Matushka Oksana**, who have joined us today for worship and prayer. (*Father Volodymyr is graciously serving this weekend in Father David's absence.*) We wish them much happiness while they are here, as well as continued joy and fulfillment in Father's priestly ministry for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

THANKS to **Janet Machyowsky** for directing the choir at Vespers last Saturday for our vacationing Choirmaster, Basil Kozak. We also extend our sincere gratitude to **Father Volodymyr Chaikivskyi** and **Father Maryon Chaykivsky** from *St. Spiridon Church* in Perth Amboy for serving Great Vespers and Liturgy, respectively, in Fr. David's stead, for the Feast of the Dormition. Everyone's service to us and to God is a true reflection of His love in his/her heart.

IN MEMORIUM Our former parishioner, **Mary Malik**, fell asleep in the Lord on Thursday, August 14. We extend our sincere sympathy to her family and friends. May God's comfort and peace strengthen them in this time of sorrow. Memory Eternal—Vechnaya Pamyat!

THE FLORAL ARRANGEMENT on the center tetrapod for the Feast of the Dormition was donated by **Janet & Paul Machyowsky** in celebration of the birthday of dear daughter and sister, **Christina**. We are most appreciative of this beautiful offering of love—God bless!

BANNS OF MARRIAGE The servants of God, **Patrick Fox** and **Amy Gregory**, are to be united in Holy Matrimony on **Sunday, August 31**, at 3:30 p.m. If any of you know a reason why they may not marry each other, you are to declare it to Fr. David or forever hold your peace. (*1st Announcement*)

BIRTHDAY WISHES go out this week to **Pauline Dziemian**. Belated greetings are also extended to **Diane Horvath** who celebrated this past Wednesday. May these parishioners continue to be blessed with good health and long life for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

GROCERY SHOPPING CAN EARN BIG BUCKS FOR THE PARISH Did you know that you can help make money for the parish just by purchasing your groceries with gift cards instead of cash? Since the beginning of the year, those parishioners who have used gift cards have generated close to **\$1,700** for the church. Imagine how much more we could earn if **everyone** took part in this program? It's easy! Here's how it works: you pay \$100; you get a store gift card worth \$100. The supermarkets sell us the cards at a 5% discount, depending on the number of people buying them. The more bought, the higher the donation! Any questions? Just go to the food card table in the back of the church hall each Sunday. **Food Cards – Because It Doesn't Make Cents Not To!**

OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES are extended to **Fr. David** on the death of his dear father, **Samuel**, this past Tuesday, after a long battle with cancer. The entire parish family mourns his passing not only with Father, but with the entire Garretson family. Sam was a strong man who loved his wife, children and grandchildren very much. He was beloved and admired by a wide circle of people he touched during his long and productive life. Our hope is that in the coming days, God will bring Father and his family rest, give them peace and help them draw strength from Him and from the caring hearts around them. Memory Eternal—Vechnaya Pamyat!

PLEASE PRAY for the following parishioners, family members and friends this week:

Departed

Nancy Marlin
Janet Gerhardt
Maria Kachur
Virginia Calin
Manuel Semiao
Barbara Wyluda

Donald Pryor
Philip Metz
John Kozak
Samuel Garretson
David Goodwin
Mary Malik

Servicemen

Ivan Shidlovsky
Gary Amatrudo Jr.
Keith Sudder
Steven Moore
Priest Sean Levine
Patrick Lohr
Elizabeth Brent
Todd Adams
Bryan Smith

Sick

Patricia Stier	Elaine O'Neill	Beth Williscroft
Thomas Verdon	Donna Casale	Nancy Filak
Alexandre Kurtanidze	Joy Guiga	Michael Dargento
Joseph Marciniak	Mary Carol Burchill	Sandra Webster
Lydia Davis	Linda Deurer	Amelia Rugala
Kaitlyn Fox	Ruth Curtis	Ellen Dargento
Iwan Jakimtschuk	John Centrello	Olga Miller
Natalie Matz	Archpriest John Udics	Allen Mioduszewski
Dorothy Sopchak	Deanna Marinelli	Lasha Giorgi Pozidis
Katherine Tarzewski	Mary Jane Schaaf	Sophie Hyland
Vladimir Batenko	Ruth Hartman	Kathleen Keimer
Robert Smith	Matushka Vera Yuschak	David Hebert
Edward Romanofsky	Walentyna Posluszny	Elaine Ashton
Dawn Zirch	John Cameron	Julia Glazer
Joseph Basara Jr.	Pearl Blower	Makayla Ahearn
Martha Drobnak	Dorothy Swenticky	Joseph Casale
Sergio Dubowski	Darlene Posluszny	Margo Stewart
Patsy Miller	Donna Kara	Anna Elagin
Irene Boule	David Halpern	Joan Uler
Marita McDonald	Protodeacon Michael Sochka	Charles Csenica
Dean Prestino	Pauline Dziemian	Kenneth Crowley
Gaynelle Crowley	Kendall McNamara	Caroline Juba
Myrna Woznica	Patricia Capelli	Carol Luongo
Aspasia Alfaro	Beth Regan	Jonathan Clayton
Beth Van Orden	Anthony Januszewski	Sybil Levine
Rina D'Amico	Rosemary Mango	Mari Favire
Fred Haas	Victor Rugala Jr.	Gregory Sitze
Simon Koslov Jr.	Robert Hearn	Christopher Reynolds
Pamela Inman	Kristeen Savoia	Michael Bautochka Jr.
Matushka Nina Stroyen	Jane D'Amore	James D'Amore Sr.
James D'Amore Jr.		

Do you have a prayer request? If so, contact Father David or Starosta.

SPECIAL PARISH MEETING A special parish meeting was held following the Liturgy last Sunday to discuss and approve replacing the air conditioning system in the rectory; it is original to the house (40 years) and not functioning in a cost-effective manner. Four bids were presented, ranging from \$7,200 to \$14,000. The parish moved to accept the lowest bid, which was submitted from *Hanco* in South River, who has been providing heating and air conditioning services to us for many years. Since the bid did not include replacing the condensers, a discussion followed, after which a motion was carried to include them as well, at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. Payment for this work will be subsidized from the unrestricted Shunkowsky Fund, with a special drive aimed at soliciting donations to cover the cost of the new system and replace the money used from the fund.

WARM THE CHILDREN (WTC) UPDATE In addition to generous monetary gifts to cover shipping costs, parishioners/parish organizations throughout the US contributed warm winter items (blankets, sweaters, vests, hats and scarves) as part of the seven "back-to-school" boxes that were recently sent to children in orphanages, homes and missions in Russia, Belarus, Ukraine and Romania. Each and every recipient was very grateful for this support. Additional shipments of similar items will continue to go out between now and the end of the month. If you would like to help with this incredibly important ministry, either by knitting, sewing or purchasing items and/or contributing monetarily, contact WTC Coordinator Barbara Nafranowicz by phone (908-232-2632), mail (167 North Cottage Place, Westfield, NJ 07090) or E-mail (bnafranowicz@verizon.net). Please consider the role that you can play to help those that need the most by supporting this outreach endeavor. Thank you and may God bless you for your spirit and willingness to respond.

CEMETERY MAINTENANCE The *Cemetery Committee* is requesting that all overgrown bushes and trees be trimmed by plot owners by **Monday, September 1**. Thank you for your cooperation.

SIGN UP NOW FOR FALL MISSION TEAM The **Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC)** is looking for volunteers to serve on short-term mission teams in Albania, Tanzania and Uganda this fall. The Albania team will conduct spiritual retreats for clergy wives, women lay delegates and women's groups. The Tanzania team will offer theological training for clergy, while the Uganda team will present Christian stewardship workshops to clergy and laypersons in various communities. More info and applications are available on the OCMC website (www.ocmc.org); you can also contact the OCMC Teams Department by E-mail (teams@ocmc.org) or phone (877-463-6784).

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS If you would like to submit info to be included in next Sunday's bulletin, contact Fr. David at the rectory or get in touch with our Bulletin Editor, James Kornafel, by phone (732-462-3388), fax (732-845-3515) or E-mail (jimmyk@optonline.net). The deadline is **Thursday evening**. Content will be edited based on format and space.



Glory to Jesus Christ!

Glory Forever!